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Unlawful dismissal of Highways Workers, Wynaad

* 1801 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a memorandum, dated 3rd February 1955, from the Wynaad Taluk Highways Workers' Union, Kalpatta, Malabar, containing allegations of unlawful dismissals and the need to regularize their services; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) A report has been called for from the Chief Engineer (Highways). On receipt of the report, the representations in the memorandum will be examined and orders issued."

Supply of electricity to Avadi Congress Session

* 1802 *Q.*—SRI P. JEEVANANDAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the expenses incurred by the Government in connection with supply of electricity for the Avadi Session of the Indian National Congress; and

(*b*) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table of the House a copy of the agreement entered into between the Government and the Indian National Congress in the matter?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) An expenditure of Rs. 4,193 was incurred on account of laying lines, etc., in giving temporary supply of electricity to the 60th Session of the Indian National Congress at Avadi and a sum of Rs. 7,673–13–0 is payable by the Reception Committees towards current consumption charges. According to the rules governing temporary supply of electricity such expenditure will have to be reimbursed by the consumer. The Reception Committee has already paid Rs. 8,210 on this account and the balance will be collected expeditiously.

" (*b*) No agreements are entered into with the consumers in the case of temporary supply of electricity."

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* 1795 *Q.*—

MR. SPEAKER :—" We shall take up question No. 1795 of the Hon. Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport. When I called his name he was not in his place."

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I am sorry, Sir. Really I sent word to you that I would be coming a little late, but it has not reached you."